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Sir:


The Examiner is respectfully requested to consider the references, copies enclosed, which may qualify as prior art. For the Examiner's convenience, the references are listed on the attached Patent and Trademark Office form PTO-1449.

The Examiner's attention is drawn to commonly-owned, co-pending provisional and utility patent applications that may have inventors in common: U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/229,892, filed September 1, 2000; U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/256,063, filed December 15, 2001; U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/256,229, filed December 15, 2000; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/653,437, filed September 1, 2000; U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/259,451, filed January 3, 2001; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/753,749, filed January 3, 2001; U.S. Provisional Application Serial No. 60/255,984, filed December 15, 2000; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/854,181, filed May

11, 2001; U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/754,034, filed January 3, 2001. Copies of these applications are provided for the Examiner's convenience.

References known to the applicants have been listed on PTO-1449. That information is cited in a spirit of forthrightness and cooperation to enable the applicants to obtain that measure of protection for the invention to which there is entitlement. However, no representation is made that the listed art actually qualifies as prior art under the patent statute and the mere use of PTO-1449 is not an admission that all listed references are prior art. No representation is made that applicants know of the best art.

Respectfully submitted,


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